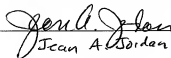


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected on the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.